

TOWN OF MONSON  
CERTIFICATIONS-ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
MAY 11, 2015

**ARTICLE 1:**

The Town voted unanimously to hear reports of Town Officers and Committees.

**ARTICLE 2:**

The Town voted unanimously to fix the salary or compensation of all elected officials as prescribed below:

Town Clerk	\$ 47,640.00
Highway Surveyor	\$ 76,602.00
Board of Selectmen-Chair	\$ 1,757.00
Board of Selectmen (2) Members@ \$1,624	\$ 3,248.00
Board of Assessors-Chair	\$ 1530.00
Board of Assessors (2) Members@\$ 1,478	\$ 2956.00
Water/Sewer Commission-Chair	\$ 912.00
Water/Sewer Commission (2) Members@ \$844.00	\$ 1688.00

**ARTICLE 3:**

The Town voted unanimously to re-authorize the existing Revolving Funds under M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53E 1/2 as per Attachment A, naming the programs and purposes for which said revolving fund may be expended, the receipts to be credited to the fund, the board, department or officer authorized to expend from said fund and the limit on the total amount which may be expended from said fund during the fiscal year.

**ARTICLE 7:**

The Town voted unanimously to transfer and appropriate the Comcast, Inc. Franchise Fee to Municipal Public Access Cable Television, Inc.

**ARTICLE 8:**

The Town voted unanimously to accept any funds which have been offered to the Town's Perpetual Care Cemetery Fund since the last Annual Town Meeting.

**ARTICLE 9:**

The Town voted by 4/5 vote to pass over this article (previous year's bills)

**ARTICLE 10:**

The Town voted unanimously to authorize the Town Treasurer and Town Collector to enter into written agreements with banking institutions having their principal offices in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for a period not to exceed one year, pursuant to which said Town Treasurer and Town Collector agree to maintain on deposit in said institutions specified amounts of the funds of the Town in return for the provision by said institution(s) of banking services; such services that so qualify shall be prescribed by the Commissioner of Revenue, as well as by other provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, et seq.

**ARTICLE 11:**

The Town voted unanimously to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public or private sale, after first giving notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the Town, fourteen (14) days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under tax title procedure; provided, however, that the Selectmen or whomsoever they authorize to hold such sale may reject any bid which they or the person so authorized may deem inadequate.

**ARTICLE 12:**

The Town voted by 2/3 vote to borrow and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed Seven Hundred and Three Thousand One Hundred Seventy Three dollars (\$703,173) to be used for construction projects authorized through the Chapter 90 Bond Issue, provided however that the town be reimbursed one hundred per cent (100%) of said sum upon project completion.

**ARTICLE 20:**

The Town voted unanimously to set the fee for a demand notice for payment of delinquent taxes, pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 60, Section 15 to Chapter 60, Section 15 of the Massachusetts General Laws, at \$20.00 effective as of July 1, 2015.

**ARTICLE 21:**

The Town voted unanimously to accept the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 5A as follows:

*MGL, Ch59, Sec 5, Clause 5A:* Fifth A, The real and personal estate belonging to or held in trust for the benefit of incorporated organizations of veterans of any war in which the United States has been engaged, to the extent of four hundred thousand dollars, if actually used and occupied by such association, and if the net income from said property is used for charitable purposes; but it shall not be exempt for any year in which such association or the trustees holding for the benefit of such association wilfully omit to bring into the assessors the list and statement required by section twenty-nine. This clause shall take effect upon its acceptance by any city or town. In those cities and towns which accept the provisions of this clause, the provisions of clause Fifth shall not be applicable; provided, however, that the state treasurer shall annually reimburse the city or town an amount equal to the reimbursement, if any, granted to such city or town under said clause Fifth for the most recent fiscal year in which it received such reimbursement.  
*(currently the limit is two hundred thousand dollars)*

**ARTICLE 22:**

The Town voted unanimously to amend the Monson By-Laws Article 23, Section 3, (4) by deleting the current Article 23, Section 3, (4) and replacing it with the following:

(4) The Town Administrator shall be the Chief Procurement Officer for the Town of Monson;

**ARTICLE 23:**

**Submitted by: Town Administrator**

The Town voted by 2/3 vote to establish the Energy Efficiency Stabilization Fund pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 5B for the sole purpose of funding energy efficiency projects, or take any other action relative thereto.

I hereby certify that the Annual Town Meeting was duly called according to the Bylaws and the Warrant was properly posted. The meeting convened at 7:03 p.m. and after the completion of the first three articles the meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m. to conduct the Special Town Meeting.

After completion of the Special Town Meeting, the Annual Meeting convened at 7:40 p.m. and upon completion of all the articles the meeting was dissolved at 8:30 p.m. Moderator Richard Guertin reappointed the following individuals to the Finance Committee: Christine Edwards, Maureen O'Sullivan and Robert Margerison for a term to expire May 2018.

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

Mary F. Watson  
Monson Town Clerk